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CARLOTTA OLIMPIA FORGNONE

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Mr. McCARRAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following

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REPORT

[To accompany S. 2681]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill (S. 2681) for the relief of Carlotta Olimpia Forgnone, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of the bill is to grant the status of permanent residence in the United States to Carlotta Olimpia Forgnone. The bill provides for an appropriate quota deduction and for the payment of the required visa fee and head tax.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The beneficiary of the bill was born on June 20, 1916, and last entered the United States as a visitor on October 8, 1951. She is single and her parents are deceased. She is residing with an uncle who is a citizen of the United States and a resident of Paradise Valley, Humboldt County, Nev.

A letter, with attached memorandum, dated June 26, 1952, to the chairman of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary from the Deputy Attorney General with reference to the case reads as follows:

JUNE 26, 1952.

Hon. PAT McCARRAN,
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary,
United States Senate, Washington, D. C.

MY DEAR SENATOR: This is in response to your request for the views of the Department of Justice relative to the bill (S. 2681) for the relief of Carlotta Olimpia Forgnone, an alien.

A memorandum prepared by the Immigration and Naturalization Service setting forth the facts of the case is attached.

The alien's case is similar to those of many other aliens who desire to enter the United States for permanent residence. The record fails to present any considerations which would justify granting her a preference over others in like circumstances.

Accordingly, the Department of Justice is unable to recommend enactment of the measure.

Sincerely,

A. DEVITT VANECH,
Deputy Attorney General.

MEMORANDUM OF INFORMATION FROM THE IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE FILES RE CARLOTTA OLIMPIA FORGNONE, BENEFICIARY OF S. 2681

Miss Forgnone, a native and citizen of Italy, was born on June 20, 1916. She last entered the United States on October 8, 1951, at the port of New York, as a temporary visitor for a period of 3 months and has been granted extensions of stay until July 6, 1952.

The alien is single and has never been married. Her parents are deceased. She has two brothers residing in Italy. She is presently living in Paradise Valley, Nev., with an uncle, John Forgnone, who is a naturalized citizen of the United States. Mr. Forgnone testified that he has resided in Paradise Valley since 1894 and that he owns a half-interest in 1,060 acres of land which support approximately 400 head of cattle each year; that he also has a half-interest in a drug store in Winnemucca, Nev., and owns the Martin Hotel in Winnemucca. He stated that he has $15,000 in cash and is holding mortgages valued at about $45,000. He also stated that, if the alien is allowed to remain in the United States, he will adopt her if possible and that he wishes her to remain permanently in this country.

The alien is chargeable to the quota of Italy which is oversubscribed and an immigration visa is not readily obtainable.

Senator Pat McCarran, the author of the bill, has submitted a number of affidavits in connection with the bill, among which are the following:

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF NEVADA,
County of Humboldt, ss:

John Forgnone, being first duly sworn on oath deposes and says:

That I am a citizen of the United States of America, and have been since the year 1908; that I am a resident of the county of Humboldt, State of Nevada, and have been since the year 1894.

That I have no persons dependent upon me for their support; that I am the owner of real and personal property situated in the county of Humboldt, State of Nevada, of the value of more than $100,000; that I have an average net annual income in the sum of approximately $6,000.

That I am the uncle of Carlotta Olimpia Forgnone, who formerly resided at Frazine Passobreve, Sagliano Micca Vercelli, Italy; that said Carlotta Olimpia Forgnone is 35 years of age, and is the daughter of my deceased brother, Angelo Forgnone, who died in 1922; that said Carlotta Olimpia Forgnone left Italy on October 7, 1951, and came to the United States by airplane; that since she arrived in the United States of America she has been residing with me at Paradise Valley, Humboldt County, Nev.

That I am now 76 years of age; that I was born on December 28, 1875; that I have spent more than 40 years in Humboldt County, Nev., engaged in the ranching and livestock business; that on account of my age and my health, it is very difficult for me to live alone, and I need someone to care for me.

That said Carlotta Olimpia Forgnone has two brothers living in Italy, both of whom are married, and at the time she left Italy she was alone and had no home or relatives with whom to live; that both her mother and father are now dead; that I am very anxious and desirous of having my niece remain in the United States of America and reside with me and care for me in my old age; that I have sufficient property and means to support and maintain my niece, and I hereby assume all responsibility for her support and maintenance, and will save harmless the United States of America, and any political body thereof, on account of her remaining in the United States of America to care for me.

That this affidavit, is made for the purpose of offering supporting proof for Senate bill 2681, introduced by Hon. Pat McCarran, United States Senator of Nevada, for the relief of Carlotta Olimpia Forgnone.

JOHN FORGNONE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of April A. D. 1952.

[SEAL] GLORIA GERMAIN,
Notary Public in and for the County of Humboldt, State of Nevada.

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF NEVADA,
County of Humboldt, ss:

Merwyn H. Brown, being first duly sworn on oath deposes and says:

That I am a citizen and resident of the city of Winnemucca, county of Humboldt, State of Nevada, and have been for more than 30 years last past; that I am the judge of the Sixth Judicial District Court of the State of Nevada, in and for the county of Humboldt, and have been for more than 5 years last past; that I am well acquainted with John Forgnone, a citizen and resident of Paradise Valley, county of Humboldt, State of Nevada, and have been for more than 30 years last past; that I have read his affidavit bearing date of April 15, 1952, and that I believe all of the statements therein contained to be true and correct.

That I know of my own personal knowledge that said John Forgnone owns property in excess of $100,000 in value.

That said John Forgnone is a highly respected and substantial citizen of the county of Humboldt, State of Nevada, and I feel confident that he will carry out all of the promises and assurances set forth in said affidavit.

That said affidavit is made for the purpose of offering supporting proof for Senate bill 2681, introduced by Hon. Pat McCarran, United States Senator of Nevada, for the relief of Carlotta Olimpia Forgnone.

MERWYN H. BROWN.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of April A. D. 1952.

[SEAL] GLORIA GERMAIN,
Notary Public in and for the County of Humboldt, State of Nevada.

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF NEVADA,
County of Humboldt, ss:

H. K. Harvey, J. L. Germain, Avery D. Stitser, and Grace W. Bell, all of the county of Humboldt, State of Nevada, being first duly sworn on oath, depose and say:

That we are citizens and residents of the county of Humboldt, State of Nevada, and have been for more than 10 years last past; that we are all well acquainted with John Forgnone, who is a resident of Paradise Valley, Humboldt County, Nev., and have read his affidavit dated April 15, 1952, and that we believe all of the statements set forth in said affidavit to be true and correct.

That said John Forgnone is a highly respected and substantial citizen of the county of Humboldt, State of Nevada, and we firmly believe that he will carry out all of the promises and assurances set forth in said affidavit.

That said affidavit is made for the purpose of offering supporting proof for Senate bill 2681, introduced by Hon. Pat McCarran, United States Senator of Nevada, for the relief of Carlotta Olimpia Forgnone.

H. K. HARVEY,
J. L. GERMAIN,
AVERY D. STITSER,
GRACE W. BELL.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of April A. D. 1952.

[SEAL] GLORIA GERMAIN,
Notary Public in and for the County of Humboldt, State of Nevada.

The committee, after consideration of all the facts in the case, is of the opinion that the bill (S. 2681) should be enacted.

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